

Christmas Greetings, Correct Weights and Square Dealings

We want to thank our customers for the liberal patronage given us during the last ten years, and to say to them that we are still here with THE GOODS. A full line of Christmas eatables. All orders given prompt attention.

Shell-Mitchell Grocery Company

Select Your Christmas Gifts Now

Holiday buying is easy at our store. The question of "What to give" is solved when you see our stock. A study of our offerings is a pleasure rich in Holiday inspiration and suggestion.

We have the gifts for everybody at prices that please. Come and see.

Our 1915 Holiday display of Dolls, Toys and Fancy Goods are now on display and we will be glad to have you make our store headquarters for your Christmas shopping.

We have a good stock of Ladies' Coats and Millinery which we will give special prices to close out by Christmas.

All of our Ladies' and Children's hats and trimmings will be reduced to one-half price. Beginning Saturday morning and last up until Christmas.

Respectfully,

W. T. SLEDGE

HICKORY, N. C.

CHRISTMAS Is In Sight

Come to Zerden's underselling store to select practical Xmas gifts for your loved ones. A few suggestions as to what a man would appreciate: Sweater-Coats, Shirts, Gloves, Hosiery, Neckwear, Suit-Cases, Trunks, a pair of Rice and Hutchins shoes or any thing in clothing would be very acceptable.

For Ladies and Children—Shirtwaists, Middy blouses Skirts, Coats, Millinery, Hosiery, Shawls, Shoes, Gloves, Handbags and hundreds of other articles which we have not the space to mention. Come to our store where Christmas shopping will be pleasant. Prices will be low. You will be able to buy practical presents for your whole family.

ZERDEN'S Underselling Store

Hickory, N. C.

If you harness yourself to a partner in business never hitch yourself to an ass.

In her search for an ideal man many a girl passes up a lot of real ones.

All men cannot be wise but all can practice wisdom by being patient with fools.

Some people fail to practice what they preach, because they need the money.

VARIED PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL MEETING

A program extending over a period of four days, from December 24 to December 28, will be rendered at Baker Mountain school, near Hickory, when the North Carolina Rural School convention is called to order at sunset Friday, the 24th.

A harvest ingathering service will be held at the school Thursday, December 23, at 2 o'clock, and the invitation requests guests to bring bedding.

The program for the rural school convention is as follows:

Friday, December 24.

Sunset—Devotional service, led by Leo Thiel.

7:30—Sermon. The needs of the home field, J. B. Locken.

Saturday, December 25.

10:00—Sabbath school.

11:15—Sermon. Finishing the world wide work, Prof. Griggs.

3:00—Personal experience in self-supporting work, led by Eld. Shreman.

Sunset—Devotional service, led by E. C. Walker.

7:30—Social hour with music, arranged by M. H. Johnston.

Sunday, December 26.

8:00—Devotional service, led by J. O. Johnston.

9:00—Testimony study, 45 minutes.

Prof. Spaulding. Discussion, (1 hr.).

Prof. Griggs and Sutherland.

10:45—Intermission.

11:00—General discussion. Appointment of committees.

2:30—How the conference can help the rural school, 20 minutes, A. A. Jaspersen.

Discussion, 15 minutes, T. W. Beach.

How the rural school can help the conference, 20 minutes, Eld. Locken.

Discussion, 15 minutes, Prof. Thiel.

4:00—Intermission.

4:15—The rural school a center of evangelism, 20 minutes, W. D. Adkins.

The rural school as a center of literature distribution, 20 minutes, W. P. Dougherty.

Living the truth, 20 minutes, A. E. Everett.

General discussion.

7:30—Lecture. The place of self-supporting work in the gospel plan, E. A. Sutherland.

Friday, December 27.

8:00—Devotional service, led by Eld. Locken.

9:00—Agriculture as a basis of self support, 20 minutes, M. H. Johnston.

Mechanical industries in rural schools, 20 minutes, J. O. Johnston.

Can student labor be made more profitable and educational? 20 minutes, A. A. Jaspersen.

General discussion.

10:30—Intermission.

10:45—Should health foods be manufactured by the rural schools? 15 minutes, J. O. Johnston.

Discussion, 15 minutes, H. P. Parker.

11:15—Solicitation of fund from Seventh-day-Adventists, 15 minutes, E. A. Sutherland.

From people outside the church, 15 minutes, H. P. Allen.

Discussion led by Prof. Griggs.

2:30—The rural sanitarium, 15 minutes, H. P. Parker.

Discussion, led by H. B. Allen.

The rural treatment room, 15 minutes, E. A. Sutherland.

Discussion, 15 minutes, Jas. Lewis.

The nurse part in community work, Mrs. M. H. Johnston.

Discussion, 20 minutes, led by Amelia Webster.

4:00—Intermission.

4:15—School industries as a feature of community health work, 10 minutes, John Brownseberger.

Discussion, 10 minutes, led by E. C. Walker.

Temperance and sanitarium, 10 minutes, E. A. Sutherland.

Discussion, 10 minutes, led by Bro. Adkins.

Personal living of health principles, A. W. Spaulding.

Discussion, 10 minutes, led by Mrs. J. O. Johnston.

7:30—Lecture. What other societies are doing for the mountaineer, John C. Campbell.

Tuesday, December 28.

8:30—Devotional service, led by J. W. Beach.

9:00—Classes of students in rural

schools, Prof. Allen. 10 minutes discussion led by A. W. Sanborn. Circulation—Changes made necessary by the self-supporting plan, 10 minutes, E. A. Sutherland. Discussion, 10 minutes, led by E. C. Walker. Adapting the subject matter and methods to community needs, 10 minutes by H. P. Allen. Discussion, 10 minutes, led by J. O. Johnston.

10:30—Intermission.

10:45—Literary and practical qualifications of teachers, 15 minutes, Ella M. Padgett.

15 minutes discussion led by A. W. Spaulding.

Examinations, grades and reporting Leo Thiel. Discussion 15 minutes, Mr. A. A. Jaspersen.

General discussion, 30 minutes.

2:30—Training in home, 10 minutes, Mrs. M. H. Johnston.

How much should the school be modeled upon the home? 10 minutes, Mrs. A. A. Jaspersen.

Discussion, 10 minutes, led by A. W. Spaulding.

The rural school missionary volunteer society, 15 minutes, Leo Thiel.

Discussion 15 minutes, led by Ella M. Padgett.

4:15—Report of schools. Report of committees. Question box, conducted by J. B. Locken.

7:30—Lecture. The mountains for God, A. W. Spaulding.

RECORD WANTS

Advertisements inserted under this head, ONE CENT PER WORD for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 15 cents. Additional words, more than 15, ONE CENT PER WORD. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE. The amounts being too small to warrant a charge. Copy for BUSINESS LOCALS cannot be taken over the telephone.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework and cooking. No laundry. Settled woman preferred. Room in home. Call at 1713 10th avenue. 12-15-2t.

PERSONALS

Mr. J. H. C. Huitt, a prominent citizen of Catawba Springs, was a business visitor to Hickory yesterday.

Mr. C. B. Yount, who has been attending school at the Atlanta Dental College, has returned home for the holidays.

Mr. Corneliouson, agent for the Redpath Lyceum courses, was in the city yesterday conferring in regard to coming attractions.

Mr. O. F. Poole of All Healing Springs was in the city yesterday. He said the commissioners of Alexander had stood by the \$150,000 bond issue for roads.

Mr. Gary Kirkpatrick is in an Asheville hospital undergoing treatment.

The case of W. P. Pitts for shooting Jim Lail at Brookford a week ago will be tried in recorder's court this afternoon.

Sheriff Isenhower will be at the city manager's office Saturday for the collection of taxes.—(Adv.)

SOUTHWORTH'S Shoe Store can save you money on Shoes. Get them at cost.

SOCIETY

Miss Georgia Crane of Atlanta, Ga., is expected tomorrow to spend the holidays with Mrs. H. C. Dixon.

Miss Julia Smith of Asheville is in the city today, the guest of Mrs. H. C. Dixon.

CHILDREN'S Dixie Girl Hose at cost. Southworth's Shoe Store.

Give a dog a bad name, and you can't expect him to make good.

The bluffer puts up a good front to counteract his lack of backing.

Don't ridicule other people's ideas. Try to have them adopt yours.

SOME Special Bargains in ladies' and men's Phoenix hose at Southworth's Shoe Store.

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DEATH AT GLEN ALPINE

Mrs. J. J. Sigmon received a message from Glen Alpine today, stating that her uncle, Mr. A. R. Pitts, who has been so very ill, was dead. Funeral services will be conducted at Glen Alpine tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

FOR XMAS

A Few Suggestions

Golbe-Wernicke Sectional Bookcases; Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets; Mahogany Chairs and Rockers; Brass Beds, Springs and Mattresses; Mahogany Dressers; Walnut Dressers and Dressing Tables; Reed Chairs and Rockers; Library and Parlor Tables, Oak and Mahogany; Bedroom Suits, Costumes; Dining Room Suite and Chairs; Art Squares and Rugs; Pissels' Carpet Sweepers; Shirt waist Boxes; Reed Baby Carriages and Pull Carts; Velocipedes for Boy or Girl; and many other articles suitable for Xmas presents.

You Are Cordially Invited to look through our stock, perhaps we have just what you are looking for.

STORE WILL BE OPEN AT NIGHT.

Shuford's Furniture Store

Shop Early Shop Early in the Season Shop Early in the Day

Make your choice while the Assortments are Complete.

Shop while you have ample time for careful selection.

Save yourself time, money and worry, and help others—shop early.

Call and see the many useful gifts we have to offer.

Abernethy Hardware Co.

SHOP EARLY

And shop early in the day at the 5 and 10c Store

Our Complete Lines of Dolls, Toys and Christmas Novelties Are Now on Display

Shop Early at the 5 & 10 Store
See Our Candy Corner

W. L. & T. W. Boatright

Everything in 5, 10 and 25c Goods

Buick Garage

If you don't get your tires and supplies and have your repairing done at Buick Garage we both lose money.

Phone 210

We Specialize Texaco Products

Christmas Special Candy Sale, Saturday, December 18th

Wonderful Values, Stock Limited, On Sale Until Sold. To Encourage Early Buying We Make Special Sale.



Chocolate Cherries

Full pound box of delicious chocolate finest imported marischino cherries. Dipped in semi-ligrid vanilla cream and heavily coated with pure

Whitener & Martin

Five Pound Holly Packages

\$1.75.

This package is tied with wide satin ribbon, red, beautiful holly colors each piece is in separate cup. Nuts, Fruits, etc. The very best chocolates you will get just what you want in this package. Buy this package for your BEST GIRL it will please her. Look at our stock. \$1.75 for Sat.

Long Twisted Stick Candy

35c.

In neat, wooden boxes eight different colors, and flavors. A package that would please the best candy lover, worth and sell regular at 50c the box, we will sell at 35c Saturday. Buy this package for Santa Claus 35 cents.

Waldorf Holly Package

38c.

Beautiful box decorated with pointsettias. The best assortment of nuts and fruit Chocolate obtainable, worth 80c to \$1 will sell Saturday at 38c. This package is just what you want to buy for Xmas.

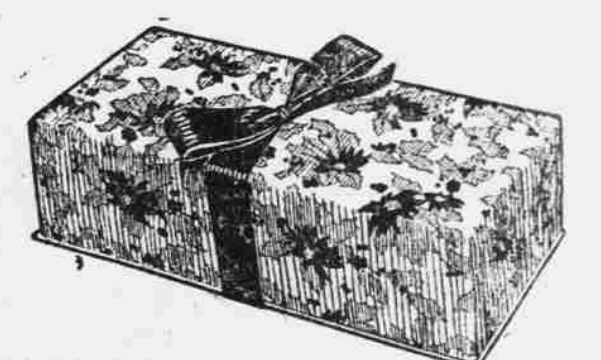
Holly Packages

34c

Containing 1 pound of assorted chocolates, wonderful value, beautiful colors, a fine gift, worth 60c to 75c, we will sell Saturday at 34c; buy a package for all your friends.

6 Pounds

Assorted candies in bulk For \$1.00 order 6 pounds for the children. Different kinds find candies chocolate and jelly. 6 pounds for \$1.00.



5 Pound Holly

packages, value two to three dollars for \$1.25. A beautiful box tied with a wide satin ribbon and filled with a splendid assortment of high grade chocolates, each piece packed in a separate paper cup. This is cheap enough for the children; buy Saturday at \$1.25 for the five lbs. Beautiful Holly Box.

Whitener & Martin

"Sells for Less Profit"